ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): Madam, I move the following Motion :—

"That this House concurs in the recommendation of the Lok Sabha that the Rajya Sabha do agree to nominate seven members from Rajya Sabha to associate with the Committee on Public Undertakings of the Lok Sabha for the term ending on the 30th April, 1994, and do proceed to elect in such manner as the Chairman may direct, seven members from among the members of the House to serve on the said Committee."

The question was put and the motion was adopted.

MOTION FOR ELECTION TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): Madam, I beg to move :—

"That this House resolves that the Rajya Sabha do join the Committee of both the Houses on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes for the term ending on the 30th April, 1994, and to proceed to elect, in accordance with the system of proportional representation by means of the single transferable vote, ten members from among the members of the House to serve on the said committee."

The question was put and the motion was adopted.

MOTION FOR ELECTION TO THE COMMITTEE ON THE WELFARE OF SCHEDULED CASTES AND SCHEDULED TRIBES

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): Madam, I beg to move :—

"That this House concurs in the recommendation of the Lok Sabha that the Rajya Sabha do agree to nominate seven members from Rajya Sabha to associate with the Committee on Public Accounts of the Lok Sabha for the term ending on the 30th April, 1994, and do proceed to elect in such manner as the Chairman may direct, seven members from among the members of the House to serve on the said Committee."

The question was put and the motion was adopted.

THE CODE OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1993

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. B. CHAVAN): Madam, I beg to move for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Code of Criminal Procedure 1973.

The question was put and the motion was adopted.

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. B. CHAVAN): Madam, I introduce the Bill.

THE TERRORIST AND DISRUPTIVE ACTIVITIES (PREVENTION) AMENDMENT BILL, 1993

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. B. CHAVAN) : Madam, I beg to move for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Terrorist and Disruptive Activities (Prevention) Act, 1987.

The question was put and the motion was adopted.

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. B. CHAVAN) : Madam, I introduce the Bill.

RE-CRASH BOEING 737 AT AURANGABAD

SHRI SURESH KALMADI (Maharashtra) : Madam, I would like to raise the issue of the crash of Boeing 737 at Aurangabad... *(Interruptions)*...

SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY (Andhra Pradesh) : Madam... *(Interruptions)*...

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : The Minister is making a statement... *(Interruptions)*...

SHRI SURESH KALMADI : Madam, it is a serious crash and we would like to know the reasons for the crash. What exactly happened ? There has been a complaint about this particular aircraft, especially the engine. The particular engine on this aircraft was under-powered. This aircraft is 20 years old. There are two types of engines. This is the older version of the engine. I would like to know whether in view of this crash the hon. Minister would consider grounding 737 which is in operation with this old engine. I think this is the foremost thing which should have been done. The engines must be changed. If the engines are okay, then who is to be blamed ? How was the aircraft overloaded ? Was it overloaded ? Did the aircraft takeoff from the begining of the runway ? There are various questions. The nation is agitated about it. We would like to know when the Minister is going to make a statement. We would like to know whether he intends grounding 737 with this particular old type of engine immediately.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : The Minister is going to make a statement. I will find out when... *(Interruptions)*...

SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV (Maharashtra) : Madam, the air crash took place at Aurangabad. Fifty-seven people lost their lives. I want to know as to when the Minister is going to make a statement. This is a very urgent matter. The whole of Marathwada is deeply shocked over this incident.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : The whole country and not Marathwada only.

SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV : There are several telephonic calls from Aurangabad and other places to know about what the Government is going to do in this regard... *(Interruptions)*

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : Now the Minister is here, Mr. Kalmadi. Let me find out... *(Interruptions)*

SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN (Maharashtra) : Is the Minister going to follow the footsteps of his predecessor ? *(Interruptions)* Is he going to take the same action as that of Mr. Madhavrao Scindia ?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GULAM NABI AZAD) : Madam, I said in the Question Hour that I would be making a statement in the afternoon in both the Houses.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN : At what time ?